GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Shifting of Headquarter
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gujarat contributes a major share in passenger and goods traffic to Western Railways and hence has requested for shifting of Western Railway Headquarter to Ahmedabad from Mumbai; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, and the action taken thereon so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) and (b): Representations have been received regarding locating a Zonal Railway Headquarter in Gujarat. The location of the headquarters of a Railway depends on operational & administrative requirements, consistent with the needs of economy & efficiency and not on regional considerations. The Western Railway headquarter at Mumbai is working satisfactorily and no change is considered necessary.
The proposal to shift the Western Railways headquarters from Mumbai to Ahmedabad was examined in the light of the above and has not been considered feasible.

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